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TAB "B"

DISSENT FROM SECTION IV

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The minority feels that this committee's plan for the production of intelligence should not include supplementing organizational recommendations unless specifically requested. Accordingly, Section IV of the preceding report is considered unnecessary. However, in view of the majority's opinion that:

(a) Section IV proceeds irrevocably from Sections I, II, and III, and

(b) that Sections I, II, and III are of little value without IV, the minority submits the following comments on Section IV:

1. Inasmuch as a national intelligence production plan must include and interrelate not only the desires of consumers, but also the judgment of a fully representative group of the best qualified and informed intelligence officers, it follows that the initial responsibility for generating a plan as set forth in Sections I and II must be vested in the chiefs of the producing divisions of the Office of Reports and Estimates as individuals. A plan stemming from any group less representative or less individually expert than the chiefs of producing divisions would be considered inadequate by this minority.

2. It is believed that a proper function of the Estimates Production Board is to insure that the several recommendations for production drawn up by its members in their respective fields be correlated and integrated into a consistent and balanced national intelligence production plan. For these purposes the Estimates Production Board should be assisted by a staff charged with assembling the draft of a composite national intelligence production plan for its (Estimates Production Board) consideration. A staff with this and related

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responsibilities has been provided for under the terms of
ORE Operating Procedure No. 29, dated 28 February 1949.
This minority therefore sees no necessity for creating an
additional unit in the Office of Reports and Estimates to
perform a planning function.

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